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Decision No. 42452

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of R. P. GEDDES, JR., F. C. HORK, and H. A. PIKE, copartners, doing business under the trade name and style of PALOMAR MOUNTAIN STAGES, for an order authorizing discontinuance of scheduled service and performance of "on call" service between Palomar Observatory and Oceanside, California, and intermediate points.

Application No. 29890

OPINION

R. P. Geddes, Jr., F. C. Horn, and H. A. Pike, copartners, are now operating a passenger stage service for the transportation of persons and their baggage and express between Oceanside and Palomar Mountain, pursuant to certificates of public convenience and necessity granted by this Commission in Decisions Nos. 33114 and 41352, on Applications Nos. 23316 and 29091, respectively (1). A regular daily scheduled service is operated via Carlsbad, Vista, Bonsall, Pala, and Rincon, and an "on call" service over an alternate route via San Luis Rey. Applicant also provides regular transportation for school children between Oceanside and the San Luis Rey Mission School, situated on said alternate route.

It is now proposed to discontinue the regular daily scheduled service between Oceanside and Palomar Mountain and substitute therefor an "on call" service which will be available

⁽¹⁾ Decisions authorizing the transfer of the original operating right are Nos. 39410 and 40783 on Applications Nos. 27833 and 28689, respectively.

daily upon the request of two or more passengers. No other change is contemplated.

Applicant alleges that the public need does not justify a daily scheduled service and that the proposed "on call" service will be available at all times and will be adequate and convenient.

As justification for the proposed change, applicant states that during the month of August, 1948, considered to be the peak summer month, only 77 passengers were carried between Ocean-side and Palemar Fountain and that for the first 23 days of November, 1948, a typical winter month, there were only 13 passengers. Applicant states that the majority of passengers transported during the summer months consists of special parties making round trips from the Oceanside Union Bus Depot where it has its offices and ticket agency in conjunction with the Pacific Greyhound Lines and Santa Fe Trailways. The Santa Fe railroad depot is also located in the immediate vicinity.

Upon full consideration of this matter we find that public convenience and necessity require the operation of an "on call" service as proposed. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

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Application having been made in the above-entitled matter the Commission being fully advised in the premises and having found that public convenience and necessity so require.

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That R. P. Goddes, Jr., F. C. Horn, and M. A. Pike, co-partners, be, and they hereby are, authorized to operate the

passenger stage service pursuant to Decisions Nos. 33114 and 41352 on an "on call" basis, subject to the following condition:

The service shall be available every day upon the demand of two or more adult passengers and shall be performed with equipment which conforms with the standards prescribed by this Commission.

(2) That in all other respects Decisions Nos. 33114 and 41352 shall remain in full force and effect.

The effective date of this Order shall be the date

Dated at Nanthamaican, California, this 25th day of January, 1949.

Harolet Huls.

COMMISSIONERS